

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

1 through 29, inclusive (Cancelled)

30. (Currently Amended) A composition for application to a fibrous cellulosic material, the composition comprising a vegetable-derived triglyceride having a melting point greater than 120 degrees F, and being characterized by an iodine value between 0 and 30, the triglyceride comprising an oil selected from the group consisting of soybean, corn, cottonseed, rape, canola, sunflower, palm, palm kernel, coconut, crambe, linseed and peanut, the composition applied in a quantity sufficient to render the cellulosic material resistant to water, the applied composition being dispersible in a warm alkaline aqueous solution.

31. (Previously Presented) The composition as described in claim 30, wherein the melting point is from about 130 degrees F to about 165 degrees F.

32. (Previously Presented) The composition as described in claim 31, wherein the melting point is from about 136 degrees F to about 160 degrees F.

33. (Original) The composition as described in claim 31, wherein the composition is further characterized by having a viscosity of from about 10 to about 200 cps at a temperature of 140 degrees F.

34. (Previously Presented) The composition as described in claim 33, wherein the triglyceride is characterized by an iodine value between 0 and 10.

35. (Previously Presented) The composition as described in claim 34, wherein the triglyceride is characterized by an iodine value from about 2 to about 5.

36. (Original) The composition as described in claim 34, wherein the triglyceride comprises a fatty acid, the fatty acid having from about 8 to about 22 carbon atoms.

37. (Previously Presented) The composition as described in claim 36, wherein the fatty acid is stearic acid.

0 38. (Original) The composition as described in claim 33, further comprising one or more compounds chosen from the group consisting of paraffins, microcrystalline waxes, stearic acid, and oleic acid, and wherein the triglyceride comprises from about 50% to about 99% of the composition.

5 39. (Original) The composition as described in claim 38, further comprising one or more compounds chosen from the group consisting of dispersants and surfactants.

40. (Cancelled)

10 41. (Original) The composition as described in claim 30, wherein the triglyceride comprises from about 80 to about 100% by weight of the composition.

15 42. (Previously Presented) The composition as described in claim 31, wherein the triglyceride is characterized by having a saponification value of from about 150 mg/g KOH to about 200 mg/g KOH.

43-44. (Cancelled)

20 45. (Currently Amended) A composition for application to a fibrous cellulosic material, the composition comprising a vegetable-derived triglyceride having a melting point between 136-160 degrees F, the triglyceride being characterized by having an iodine value of between 2 and 5, the composition being characterized by a viscosity of from about 10 to about 200 cps at 140 degrees F, wherein the triglyceride comprises a fatty acid, the fatty acid being stearic acid, and wherein the triglyceride comprises an oil
25 selected from the group consisting of palm and soybean oil, the composition applied in a quantity to render the cellulosic material resistant to water, the applied composition being dispersible in a warm alkaline aqueous solution.

30 46. (Cancelled).

47. (New). The composition as described in claim 30, wherein the fibrous cellulosic

0 material is chosen from the group consisting of paper, kraft paper, corrugated paper, linerboard and paperboard.